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FOR: OPTICAL RECORDING MEDIUM AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME,
DATA RECORDING METHOD AND DATA REPRODUCING METHOD FOR
OPTICAL RECORDING MEDIUM

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97

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SIR:

Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

REFERENCES

- ☒ Submitted herewith is a Japanese and Chinese Office Action for the Examiner's consideration. Also submitted is a PTO-1449 listing JP 2005-063604 and CN 1401116 A which corresponds to US 6,901,044 B2 (all of them first cited)

- ☐ Online credit card payment is being made in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

RELATED CASES

- ☐ Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s), published application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. In accordance with the waiver of 37 CFR 1.98 dated September 21, 2004, copies of the cited pending applications are not provided. Cited published and/or issued patents, if any, are listed on the attached PTO form 1449.

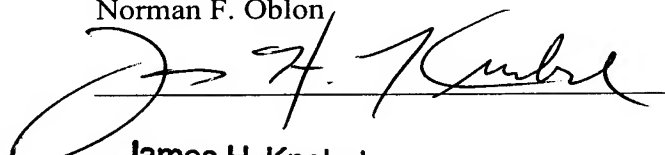
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CERTIFICATION

- ☒ References JP 2005-063604 and CN 1401116 A in this information disclosure statement were first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.
- ☒ Reference US 6,901,044 B2 was not cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the undersigned, having made reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

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